GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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INADEQUATE SUPPLY OF GAS TO POWER PLANTS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether country is facing huge shortage of gas and many power plants are not getting adequate supply of gas;

(b) is so, the reasons thereof;

(c) whether the shortage of gas will cease once KG Basin starts production; and

(d) if so, by when the K.G. Basin will be able to supply gas?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a) & (b): The demand of power sector is higher than the present availability of natural gas in the country.

(c) & (d): The shortage of natural gas would reduce with the availability of approximately 40 Million Standard Cubic Metres Per Day (MMSCMD) from KG basin during the year 2008, which is likely to be 80 MMSCMD from 2011-12 to 2016-17.